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Title: FORMULATION OF STABILISED CATIONIC TRANSECTION  
AGENT(S)/NUCLEIC ACID PARTICLES

being a Continuation of PCT International Application No. PCT/FR98/00222,  
filed February 6, 1998.

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) as a Continuation application of PCT International Application No. PCT/FR98/00222, filed February 6, 1998, which claimed priority of French Application No. 97/01,467 filed February 10, 1997.

1. Preliminary Amendment.
2. Application - 61 pages, including 2 independent claims and 38 claims total, 5 sheets of drawings containing 6 figures and International Search Report.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to RHONE-POULENC RORER S.A.
5. A check for \$1,384.00 representing a \$760.00 filing fee, \$324.00 for extra claims fee, \$260.00 for multiple dependent claims fee and \$40.00 for recording the Assignment.

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Applicants claim the right to priority based on French Application No. 97/01,467 filed February 10, 1997.

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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